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As always, thank you to everyone for joining us, we have several things that have flown in last minute on the agenda as lots of things that are going on. Right now. I know you're aware of that.

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So, I am not going to take any more time and I am going to turn this right over to.

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Okay, thank you. Hi. Good morning. Everybody I see our number of participants is quickly climbing, which is great. I had to close some stuff on my screen here.

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Thank you all for joining us. I know we do have a lot of information to go through today and I'm not going to lie everything. We tell you today. We will probably be telling you over the course of the next month.

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So you're going to hear this more than 1 time, and we're going to be learning about this stuff more than 1 time.

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and this public health warning talk specifically about what we're expecting as residents of the state of Missouri,

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and their personal behavior and personal behavior advisory said things like,

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wear a mask at all time and public or other settings outside of your home where social thing is not possible.

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Always try to maintain a limit of 6 feet wherever possible and limit close contact with other individuals to less than 15 minutes.

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Course wash your hands the biggest 1 and the 1 that I know we're still struggling with in our state facilities. I'm sure most of our provider agencies are struggling with stay home when you are sick, or if you have symptoms.

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So the symptoms are a cold, their allergies they're burning. I've burning knows. They're sore throat. They're a headache. They mimic a lot of other symptoms.

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I know that we've got a workforce that is exhausted and we need every employee become to work that can, but we've also got a screen out those that are not healthy because that is how it spreads. That's why we push the testing so much get them tested.

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You'll know quickly if they can come back to work or not. So wanted to make sure that we talked through that limit.

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Your regular interactions to a small group less than 10 family members. Friends are coworkers. If you live in a category 1 or a category, 2 community, and we're going to go over what those category 1 category. 2 communities are in a minute.

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There's business advisory here also. In in addition to the basic guidelines for individuals, businesses need to implement basic infection control, prevention measures.

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We do that modify physical workspaces, develop infection, disease, preparedness and response plan, monitor.

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Oh, that should include doing your own contact tracing and so I want to make sure this is clear for everybody on the call in most counties in the state right now, you.

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Or you as a citizen, and you, as an individual will be responsible for doing your own contact tracing if you test positive.

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So try to keep track of where you've been over the last 48 hours so that, you know, who has been close to you if you do test them and positive.

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So I want to make sure that people understand that, and the same for workplace, that is gonna be workplace. I mean, we need workplaces to take responsibility for this, at this point travel advisory.

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They want to minimize the risk, because it's spread within Missouri and across the States, especially as we approach the holiday season. We're going to go through some things that kind of help you guys think through that in a little bit. But please minimize travel outside of Missouri.

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If you are going outside of Missouri,

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please take into account individuals that are high risk,

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encourage people to self isolate as much in advance of any gathering,

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and do not attend any gatherings family or otherwise if you have any symptoms.

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I know somebody asked me the other day is diarrhea symptom yes. It's a symptom. Nadia is a symptom losing smell or taste are symptoms. Those are that's the big big.

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Bells are ringing, not everybody has it, but it's a symptom.

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So, there's also a local government advisory included in this and this really talks about how Missouri is a local control state and as a local controlled state, it's important that local local government makes decisions that are unique to each community.

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Those decisions can be more stringent than the baseline public while the state of Missouri provides a baseline of public health standards and expectations.

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Local communities can establish hire more stringent standards above the state, public health advisory baseline and I know we're seeing that across the state right now. Then I would like to go on to the next. So you've got it up already.

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There's a note at the top of this. Oh, no. Go back real quick and then we'll move on to that high time. Sorry there's a note at the top of this page. I'll go back.

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At the top of the 3rd page? Yeah. Scroll down a little bit further. Oh, no. Go back. Why is it doing that?

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I'm sorry, I'm going to have her go back 1 more time.

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Because this the 3rd page of that public health advisory talks,

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I think she's trying to scroll down and it's doing that to her talk specifically about what are the categories and then what are the advisories for those categories?

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So category, 1, academy and category 1 and considered extreme risk, if they've had a PC or 7 day positivity rate and I'm going to show you where to get this information in a minute, a 15% or above using the CDC method.

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So the state of Missouri had previously been showing to class activity rate 1 was the CBC method and 1 was the state of Missouri method we have now moved away from the state of Missouri method are only using the CDC method.

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So that is there to avoid confusion, although sometimes, I think it causes confusion. So I don't want you to know if the 1 that you're seeing on the public facing dashboard is the 1, you need to be paying attention to also the 7 day case rate per 100000.

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if that's above 350, then your county that's considered an extreme risk.

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The advisory recommend business, occupancy, limits, reflective of social does something that includes social group sizes of 10 or less note for the purpose of this advisory in big, bold letters.

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Social group is defined as any planned or spontaneous event or convening. That would bring together a group of people in a single space at the same time.

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This excludes normal business activities, religious services, schools and school activities and extended family gathering.

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So, I think this probably applies mostly to places like restaurants, gyms, but it also gives business has something to point to whenever they need to make decisions that really best reflect them.

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So, what masks are also strongly advise in all offices and businesses were social distancing is not possible at the top before we go through what all these categories are it says that.

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Entities can move down in a risk category after 2 consecutive weeks of meeting the lower category of criteria. So.

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You stay in county, you stay an extreme risk if you're an extreme risk and so you have 2 consecutive weeks as a positivity rate below 15% and a 7 day case right? Below 100000. I'm not going to go through what category 2 is or category.

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3 is because a lot of folks in this state are already in the extreme risk category category 1. so not going to have to pull up the website where you can go and see where your county is.

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And we're going to use coal County, because we know Cole county is in the extreme risk category. So this is on the state public facing dashboard. And we've shown this to you many, many, many times.

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So the information in the top is on the right on the left side, where it says cases today, 5426 detonate 38 tested 8, 554085, that is data since the beginning of the pandemic.

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So, since March, when we talk about what we talked about in category, 1, those risk levels, that's going to be on the right side of your screen. We're looking at the past 7 days so cases in the past 7 days for coal county or 556.

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That is, uh, the 7 day case rate per 100000. we may have to go down to see the 7 day case rate for 100000. so, let's scroll down a little bit hiking to the bottom. And you can see these red, these red boxes is where we need to be looking.

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So new cases are 556 for the past 7 days in cold county that equates to 724 per 100000. remember to get into extreme risk category. You only need to be at 350 or above.

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4 cases per 100000, so in Cole county county is substantially above that 350 cases per 100000 level.

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Thank you for putting that in the chat, the 7 day positivity rate CDC method is supposed to be anything 15% or above that you in the extreme risk category?

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Cole county is at 27.6%, those 2 boxes are the 2 boxes that you need to look at whenever you're determining if your county is an extreme risk County, a critical risk County, or a serious risk county and just so, you know, critical risk. Really?

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Everything stays in place, except social group size goes up to 25 or more, not much changes between what is expected in terms, or what advice is applied to businesses and counties to.

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To do their work, so that I wanted to go through that with you all I wanted to make sure you had access to it. I wanted to make sure you knew where the tools were and how to use those tools and apply them to your work.

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I don't think I need to tell anybody on this call because you guys have been actively participating in these calls since March. How dire this situation for the state of Missouri is at this point. And how important it is that everybody's follow.

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Just the basics and we talk about the basics all the time,

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I think the hardest basic for people to follow right now is staying home with you are sick and taking that fitness seriously and finding out whether or not you have code that or not.

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Uncovered negative test gives you lots of relief and and then you don't have to contact trace for the last 48 hours. But it is our personal responsibility to be doing that, at this point in time.

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So, take a look at it all of this information you guys know it's public share it's far and wide share it with your work.

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Folks share it with your social folks, share it with your search folks or school folks, anybody you can get to listen and look at that needs this information and needs to go through it. The other thing I want to show right now is that risk website.

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I know as we approach the the Thanksgiving season,

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it is really hard to say I'm not going to dinner with grandma and grandma but they have a planning tool out there and we're going to scroll scroll into Missouri.

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Actually, 1st, type it in that left side. Where it says, event box hit right now that's showing 50 or more people. Let's go ahead and make that 25. because I think 25 is a pretty decent. I mean, if you're having a family dinner on Thanksgiving, 25 is a pretty decent size.

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If you've grown up with families, like mine, so, 25 is the minimum that's a small group. And if you'll go ahead and make it larger to get you set it up there already. I just can't see for Cooper counting County, Missouri.

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If you have event of 25 or more people,

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I believe that says an 81% chance that someone in your group is going to have and so when you pass the turkey 81% of the time,

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you'll be passing the coven around the table.

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And so that's kind of when she goes to Cole County, and, I mean, that is, I'm on, I wanted to be on the camera today to see you guys, but that means my screen is teeny. Teeny tiny. So for sage county with 25.

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Oh, save county was 25 people at the table. The risk level is 77% 77% chance that somebody at the table is going to have coded this also as a tool that you guys can share.

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I know what our facilities are doing at the state level. We're pushing this out to we call everybody that works in our facilities right now healthcare heroes because I.

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Cannot imagine doing the, the, the level of work and.

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For the time that we've been doing it, and it's and it's not getting.

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Better it's getting worse and harder right now but so we there, if we kind of and I sent this out to our providers and and so you guys can probably see this message, but it's a plug and play message where you can just take your county.

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You can use this data to say, you know.

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Please think twice before you make your plans and another thing that was included in that message is just what what those executive teams at that location we're going to be doing for Thanksgiving and they're staying home because that's what we need to be doing at Thanksgiving.

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We need we need the limited exposure as much as we possibly can and it's not going to be easy. But I am.

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I am happy to hear pretty regularly that that is the decision. So start making. So I'm proud of folks for making that decision. Testing. Update is what we'll go to next. So we did get really good news this week.

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I know a couple of weeks ago I had announced that we would no longer be able to pay for testing after November 15th, but that has been changed. So, for anybody that's got some patients facing healthcare worker. So, our residential providers are day have providers.

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If you've got an outbreak with residents or or individuals and supports or staff personal care to let us know, and we'll work on getting testing coverage for you.

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I know we've done that for a lot of folks, and a lot of folks, head testing occurring in a regular rhythm. We had a disruption for about a week. There. This has now been extended till December 30th.

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That's when the carefax funding deadline currently is we do expect Congress to make some sort of federal funding either cares act extension or other federal funding decisions for in December.

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However, they have it to date and so this is what we know, and that's the information that we have to share but.

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Also, any providers that have been doing testing I greatly appreciate that ice and you guys know this I firmly believe testing is what keeps this out of our locations no matter their size and keeps the individuals that we support.

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Say, the next thing we want to talk about is the vaccine that they oh, no 1 computer went down. Okay. I got to back up the vaccine update. So there is, let's go to that vaccine dot O dot Gov site. 1st.

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Kovio vaccine dot dot. Gov. You have that 1.

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Okay, hold, I will do this. We'll talk to this 1. no problem. We'll talk to you this. 2nd.

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Um, unfortunately our office got close today and.

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We, you know, we always find out at 4 o'clock, but that's going to happen. So we're, we're doing our best working from work and apart, and we want to work apart because we know that's where we need to be right now.

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This right here is really about vaccinated enrollment and so I want to talk about that Terminator enrollment and back when we expect to get vaccines for individuals we support. So I'm going to mute you. Hi to.

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Specifically for the way that states plan for vaccination works right now is there's category 1 a, and category 1 a.

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Our employee patient facing health care workers and that is that that is us our community providers are patient facing health care workers.

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I don't think our target case management entities would not qualify as patient facing healthcare workers because if it's a job that can be done telehealth wise, it doesn't count. So nurses that are doing, telehealth would not count as patient facing healthcare workers.

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But all of our residential providers, no matter the size qualify as a 1, a provider in Missouri, I think our day have qualify as a 1 a provider in Missouri.

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So all of those providers should be figuring out how to get vaccinations for their staff at this point in time. And I will tell you, that there are about we estimate about 500000.

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we think that's a low estimate as patient facing health care workers and Missouri. That's hospitals, that's nursing homes. That's our folks in the hospitals that are working our 1st round of doses of coban vaccine that's going to be around 167000.

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so we know that we are not going to be able to get even all of those patient facing health care workers vaccine in that 1st round. So, not only are we focusing on patient facing health care workers?

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We're also focusing on this patient facing health Co workers with Co morbidities. So we want to try to get those folks vaccinated. 1st. So, if you've got diabetes and you're patient facing health care worker, you are the priority for this 1st, round of vaccines.

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And that includes everybody that works for us. And I've gotten all of that confirmed just in the last 24 hours.

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So we're going to be working on sending out some information so that you guys can help plan for that there are a couple of ways that you can and what I'm suggesting and what I think we're going to be doing on the state side. We're going to approach this from 2 different ways.

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1, if you want to be a vaccinate or yourself, you need to go to the coven 19 vaccinate or enrollment site. You will have to have a medical director to do this. So, if you don't have a medical director, this will not work. I'm not even certain.

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This state is going to be doing this coven, 19 vaccinated enrollment. And I'll tell you why, but we're going to sign up anyway because signing doesn't doesn't.

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Put you on the hook to do it, it just makes it an avenue for you to access vaccine. When vaccine is available in case you can't figure something out there are 2 vaccines out there that are more most likely to tend to Missouri.

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1 is the Pfizer vaccine and 1 is the Madonna vaccine the Pfizer vaccine requires cold storage less than negative 70 degrees. If you don't have that you've got to have dry storage as a vaccine is the issue send them.

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The vaccine can be stored in a refrigerator. So you want to sign up in this vaccinate or enrollment category if you can, because if we get access to the state to them, and they're in a vaccine, which, we don't know yet, and I know that's frustrating.

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But if we get access to the vaccine, the stories is no longer an issue for you and and you could easily become a vaccinate or at your site for some of us not for all of us. But for some of us.

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So, I wanted to make sure that you understand why it was important to enroll in this category. I'm sorry if you're hearing an echo, I'm trying to use my ear, but.

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Because that usually works better. The next 1. I wanted to talk about that. You can enroll with is call your local pharmacies and your local farm.

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Because I know most of our, especially our residential providers work directly with a pharmacy, talk to them about becoming enrolled in the vaccination program, and they would enroll through that cobin 19 vaccinate enrollment that we've got up on the screen right now.

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And then, whenever it comes time to get the vaccine, we would say pharmacy, I need 50 doses for my staff. Because remember, we're only doing patient based and health care workers in this 1st round. They would put in the order.

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And then they'll call you back and let, you know, if they get 2010, 5, whatever but.

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So I wanted to make sure people understood that there's a 3rd option 2 and in some of the counties, this is going to be your best option probably. And that's to work with your local public health agency.

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So the local public health agencies are all supposed to be enrolled as coven 19.

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now, I recognize that some of you live in counties in the state of Missouri, where you've got, you know, you've got 3 people that work at your local public health agency, and you may not feel like that's the way for you to go.

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However, I want you to know still contact them still work with them, because there will be some rapid vaccination teams that go out and those wrapped to help those local public health agencies with the actual vaccination.

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So they're called regional implementation team. So don't let the fact that you have a small local public health agency view. The reason you don't work with them.

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The next thing you're going to need to do, though, is you're going to need to understand how many of your employees are actually interested in getting the vaccination.

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So, because this is an emergency use authorization vaccination nobody can mandate we cannot mandate for residents. We cannot mandate vaccination for employees.

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That's not an option for an emergency use authorization vaccination. So you need to be surveying your employees to find out who is actually interested because you don't want to tell your local public health agency or your pharmacy.

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That you need 50. and then only 5 of your folks are actually interested in getting the vaccine. So wanted to share that information with you also. So I told you 1, a, is where the 1st groups, the vaccination go to those are patient facing health care workers.

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So you need to be thinking about this,

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and how do I get my employees vaccinated in the 1st round then you still need to be thinking about how you get the individuals who support vaccinated in the 2nd round because anybody who lives in a long term care facility and we fall into that category

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they are going to be eligible in the 1 B.

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so when we get enough back.

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Things into the state, and we feel like that 1 a category satisfied. They will move to the 1 b category.

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And again, you can do the vaccinated enrollment, talk to the local public health agencies, but you are going to have to have consent to give this vaccination to residents and you're going to need to know, or individuals you support and you're going to need to know how many of them want to do that.

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So start thinking about how we're going to be working on that at the state level. And as we get that information together, we will share it to you but start thinking about how that looks for your agencies. Hey, that's vaccination.

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I'm sure there's questions in the chat, but I'm going to keep going and then I will go back and look in the chat because I can't do both right now at the same time. The next thing I wanted to talk about, was the budget update. So, we did get really thank you. Thank you for.

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Reminding me there is also this website out there. We know a big concern around the vaccination.

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Is information and so the state has put up this website also with information for residents on if you need to get vaccinated vaccinated and how to get the facts. And so there's a lot of really good information on here.

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If you will scroll down.

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1 of my favorite, and I have not had, I mean, I just saw this website yesterday I go to oh, yeah. Go ahead go down maybe or maybe I might have to go to get the fax. There's a really cool thing on this website called rumor control. Okay, go back up.

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That's all really technical. And I will talk about that here in a 2nd, too so quickly get the facts.

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And then if you will scroll down.

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Or even just at the top there, Stacy effectiveness, privacy, cost availability, history and rumor control. So there's a lot of information on this website.

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And I really like the rumor control section because these are real questions that the Department of health and senior services is getting answered. So, they're posting them out there with the answers.

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So, residents the question residents will not be used as guinea pigs if they choose the vaccination residents aren't even in the 1st category for vaccination.

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So just wanted to make sure that everybody understood that this resources out there too.

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We know that, when you're starting to talk to your employees and individuals who support and guidance about the vaccinations, they are going to want more information and this is a great tool to help them get more information. I know.

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We're also working on developing some 1 pagers that we can hopefully ship out to everybody so that they understand more information about the vaccination. So I think that's all on back. To the other thing.

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I was going to tell you, and you will see this in the news today. If you haven't already Pfizer has put in their request for the approval of their emergency use authorization. So there are 2 steps that have to happen before that bytes.

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That vaccine can go in the arm and that is the emergency use authorization has to be approved and then after that is approved, then there's a secondary committee called the academy for immunization.

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It's a step and I'm not going to get those what that means right? If the federal committee.

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But then they also have to approve it before it can go out the door. Now, the vaccine is going to be Pre positioned across the country.

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So, as soon as that last approval is received, you can do vaccines that day, because there's going to be access to those for folks.

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So I, but they believe that that emergency use authorization to take between 2 and 4 weeks. Then once once that is, granted, there will be about another week for that 2nd group to finish up their approval if it's approved.

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And then so you're looking at 3 to 5 weeks right now before a vaccine.

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Probably available to go in the arm, so I just wanted to make sure people kind of understood the timeline of that also.

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Okay, that's all on vaccine. I think a budget update is next. So we have that 20M dollars of cares act spending that was available for our residential providers group home. They have unemployment providers.

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So, we got through the 1st round of that, and we've got about 5.4M of that that was not spent providers did not request money and I think it was about a 138 providers that did not request any of their allocations. So now.

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We have been given approval by the administration to reallocate that 5.4M dollars. So we know we had a lot of provide. So we have done that and we've done it based off the same allocation. We did the 1st time.

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So, that sets aside about 621000 dollars for our day, have an employment providers and then the remainder of that 5.4M, I cannot do math in my head quickly. Right now we'll go to the be available in an allocation format.

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For our group home providers, we were not allowed to change how we do the allocation we did ask. So I know there's gonna be some frustration out there.

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We did ask,

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that is what we were told at this time with that we are also going to open up the day,

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have an employment providers if they would rather invoice us for cost of overtime the same kind of things that we know they are experiencing with the residential providers are experiencing,

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they can choose the invoice option over the business interruption option,

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either options available to them.

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So, I just wanted to make sure that everybody understood that too. We have a very quick turnaround, so we have to have information back from

the providers by December. 1st, and then we have to get all of our stuff done on our end.

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I think, by December 5th, for processing through this round. The good news is, I think there's a lot that we can do with providers who submitted above their allocation already. And so our goal is to try to take care of that so that we don't need anything from providers.

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So, I know that provider relations will be reaching out to providers if they need additional information, but be.

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Be up in our business about this, because we got to get it done by December. 1st, and we want to get as much as this money back out the door again. Very grateful for the opportunity to re, allocate the funding that we did not spend the 1st time around. Then the next item.

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Please be paying attention to hospital status.

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We're hearing,

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and it's not just for individuals with developmental disabilities,

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but hospitals are at capacity or near capacity at this point and depending on the type of care you need,

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you may need to go to a different hospital that you're used to going to also we are hearing that discharges are happening rapidly and people are oftentimes uncomfortable with that because those are discharging set before they would have

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been taken a little longer,

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but hospitals need the bed space.

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So, we do have tools out there to help if I mean, and I understand being uncomfortable about supporting somebody with high medical needs, because that's that's, you know, we have some folks that are very good at that. But.

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Sometimes those things come up quickly and we cannot get everybody training the way. We think we need to train them, but just you need to be paying attention to your local hospital status. Um, and I just want to make sure you're, you're keeping track of that.

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So, I'm going to go look in the chat now and I'm going to turn this over to Andrew. I know that was a lot. And thank you for hanging with me. I don't usually talk for 30 minutes on this. So thank you so much.

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Okay, good morning. Everyone I'll take over. Well, I was looking at questions 1 thing that we've talked about in the past.

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Is that we have been asking CMS about extending the appendix K waiver and then some portions of our 1135 waiver so far we have not been allowed to do that.

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Although they have been having internal discussions at the CMS level about the extension with the governor's declaration. Yesterday we went ahead and pose that question to CMS again. And they responded to us actually, while we were on this call here.

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That they are sensitive to the increasing numbers across all the States, and they are actively looking at step.

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Um, as they approach the January 26 end date for many of their appendix case again across the nation, and so they are going to follow up with.

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Follow up with us with some guidance as soon as they have that available. So just wanted everyone to know that we are in constant contact with CMS on trying to get that extension. Then the other thing is, we have those 2 waivers waiver amendments that we've submitted to CMS for.

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The duplicated participants, and then for the service reduction, they are still reviewing those.

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And we'll get back to us with some questions, hopefully in the next week or so.

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And then for the actual renewals for the comprehensive and community support waivers.

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Those are under a department of social services review, still as we speak. And so as soon as they finish that process and no health net, we'll be able to post those for public comment.

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And that is all I have, I don't know if we have file. Did you want to go back to questions or do you want to turn it over to Wendy?

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We're internal Rebel for questions. Yeah, thank you. I was like, wait, I got on mute and if that happens. So there is only really 1 question here, and it's kind of a timeline kind of a statement, and it's about.

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So tcm's are not considered patient base and health care workers. I get that you are doing our activity that involve working with individuals.

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However, when we're talking patient centered, health care workers, we're talking about people that are helping with activities of daily living. Okay.

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So, if you're not toileting, if you're not bathing, if you're not doing those things right now, we can't move you up in the category and it's all about volume of supply available. Okay.

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And I get it's frustrating, but I do yes, we do. We do require support coordinators to make face to face contact if there's health saved year. Well, being concerned.

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And, and I understand that and we need them to continue to do that.

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But there are community testing options out there. They're, I mean, that it's just where we're at right now. It's a volume issue is what it is.

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Okay, and moving I, and thank you Sarah for posting that you had difficulty getting a person I mean, we're hearing this all over the state, we're hearing this for our state operated facilities also. So this is this is real for sure. Okay.

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Moving on to, I believe Wednesday of next.

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Hi, thank you. Good morning. Everybody, and I just wanted to be real brief to to remind people that the options for them to modify.

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The residential situations is still out there it's covered under our appendix pay if not. I know it was real effective for folks to consolidate homes or or staff moved in, or they wouldn't homeless staff, or went home with family.

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So, those are options, but also wanting to let, you know, that if you have thought of other.

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Ideas that would really help you that are currently kind of outside the bounds of of what you think we can currently do, please contact your PR representative and let them know about your circumstances.

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If you are really your agency is really stressed with staff ratios and having difficulty, and are concerned that you might need to give notice on folks.

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Perhaps if you're struggling with ratios, please contact your representative.

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And we're all putting our heads together to try to identify how we can help provide overcome some of these obstacles and come up with some different things that maybe we haven't tried yet.

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And so if you already have those ideas and said, if I could only do this.

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It would help so please let your PR. Rep, no. They in turn will let us know. And we will get together and figure out if there's a way that we can make it.

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Um, work make it okay if we need to do another appendix K, whatever we need to do, but we are looking for those good ideas from you too, because they're going to more likely come from you, then they're going to come from us.

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So just please don't hesitate to reach out to your regional office if you are an agency or provider that is really under extreme stress. And you're worried about what you're going to do we want to try to help you.

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We know these are extraordinary times and it's not a reflection on you or planning or or your ability to operate your agency. These are just extraordinary times. So please reach out. Let us help if we can.

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And that's really all I wanted to to kind of touch base with you guys on. So I will turn it over to Kim.

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Wendy,

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I really didn't have anything specific just to piggyback on to bounce federal quickly earlier in regards to what we're seeing with hospitalization capacity right now just continue to please use the resources that you have available reminder station and the services are still

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available and there's opportunities for telehealth telemedicine if you're in need of brainstorming resources,

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Please reach out to your regional office. They can be a resource to everyone right now.

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That's all I have. All right. Thank you. Can there's a couple more questions then, Chad I'm going to address 1. 1. will there be an extension of station empty? I don't know the answer to that. At this time.

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What I know is that we, everybody wants us to be able to extend station and B, so it's including station and D. so we're looking at this.

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4 different ways at this point. I know we're gonna have a call today with the National Association to try to figure out how we could maybe get station empty covered as a Medicaid waiver service and I know that's something. That would be very much interested in also.

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But that's the process you have to go through and that takes days. And then we're also talking directly with station empty folks, because I think they're willing to help us if, if we've got to wait 2 weeks or 3 weeks before we know the answer to something on the funding side. So.

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I cannot tell you all I can tell you is everybody the administration everybody likes the outcomes are seeing from station especially right now and it's going to be really difficult for anybody to even get into a doctor at this point.

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So, you know, you're not urgent care is probably not your 1st choice, or shouldn't be your 1st choice, especially in certain parts of the state because of all the people that are there just to get tested for. So.

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Please be using station empty right now, because the more use we have a station MV, the easier it is to sell the station empty product, but we're really having good luck with selling it. It's just they gotta find the funding for it. And that's what, and we're trying to make it cheaper.

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We've got on why it saves us money. People even are very supportive of just the.

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The anecdotal side of how much easier it is for providers for families to use station empty versus trying to go to a doctor. So it's very well received. The other question we have right now is our job coach is included in the 1, a class that they are providing in person services.

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Also, I'm going to say, no, at this point, when we are talking patient facing healthcare workers, we're really talking about those people that are helping with the, and as a provider, you can make that decision.

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To try to get your job coaches included in the category of 1 a but again, remember, we're looking at 167000 doses coming to state of Missouri on the 1st, go around and we're looking at an estimate of 500000 health care workers and I can promise you.

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They did not include job coaches in that when they were coming up with that 500000 number they're looking at people with job titles. Like they're looking at. You. Remember we kind of talked about this in the past people with job titles, those kind of positions.

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So, I just want I want you to be aware of that, but as a V, and I don't feel like you should try, you need to try to get them in the 100 category. We're not gonna I mean, I don't make that determination.

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Um, but I, I just based on the conversations we had yesterday, they're looking at those people that are actually just delivering that that direct level of care on a daily basis.

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So, I think Thank you guys, thank you for sticking with us for an hour and 10 minutes today, or a half or 40 minutes. Sorry.

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Today I know we've put a lot of information out there. I promise we will keep talking about this information so that you are more comfortable with it. Of course, you know, you can send us questions and stay safe.

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Good luck and we'll keep we'll keep pushing everything out that we can. Thank you guys for all. You're doing have a good weekend. Good. Bye.